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DISORDERS

Examiner: E. Whisenant

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, for which a response is due on December 1, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-152 and 156-180 for continued examination. In addition, prior to examination on the merits please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.